



Milwaukee County

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LAKE VALLEY CAMP BLOCK PARTY TONIGHT *Event aims to reverse recent criminal activity at Tiefenthaler Park*

Milwaukee, WI – In collaboration with the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office, Milwaukee County Supervisor Eyon Biddle, Sr., is inviting Milwaukee County residents to join him in attending the Lake Valley Camp block party tonight at Tiefenthaler Park. The event aims to build relationships and begin conversations that will bring neighbors and community leaders together to create positive change for Tiefenthaler Park, in light of a tragic event that occurred there last month.

“This is the first step in developing long-term solutions,” Supervisor Biddle said. “As I walked the streets in this neighborhood during the campaign, I heard from neighbors concerned about the significant drop-off in attendance at this park. Criminal activities and other negative elements have really taken their toll here, and we’re not taking the recent death of a young man lightly.”

According to a criminal complaint, on April 10th, Charles Odom, 16, shot and killed Joseph Deshawn Johnson, 27, during a dispute after a basketball game at Tiefenthaler Park. Tonight’s event, in memory of Johnson, will also give residents an opportunity to learn more about what Lake Valley Camp is doing to improve the neighborhood.

“Tiefenthaler is a beautiful park and used to be heavily utilized. One of my jobs as a County Supervisor is to make sure families feel safe sending kids here. When people living across street don’t feel safe, we have work to do,” Supervisor Biddle added. “Safe summer initiatives like tonight’s Lake Valley Camp block party will provide alternatives for our young people, and I am proud to attend and show my support.”

Lake Valley Camp Block Party

Milwaukee County Supervisor Eyon Biddle, Sr.

6:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 4, 2011

Tiefenthaler Park, 2501 W. Galena Street, Milwaukee, WI

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